

MILITIA TO PAY FOR LOST GOODS

Value of Property Unaccounted For to Be Taken From Company Funds.

MR. RYAN HELPS SCHOOL

Makes Donation of \$2,000—New Hookworm Inspector on Eastern Shore.

Gross carelessness on the part of some of the company officers of the Virginia Volunteers in failing to care for military property has led Adjutant-General W. W. Sale to take decisive steps to prevent the great loss from this source.

An order was issued yesterday by the Adjutant-General to the effect that the value of any missing or worthless property which is not shown to have been worn out in service or which is not otherwise satisfactorily accounted for at the time of the annual State inspection, will be deducted from the company's funds. This divides the responsibility to some extent, and it is hoped will tend to make every man more careful in handling the property of the State and of the War Department.

Captain Is Held. Theoretically, the commanding officer of each company is held personally responsible for any such losses, but it is recognized that in as much as these men give their services without compensation, it would be perhaps a hardship to make them pay. Under the new order, however, it is believed that these officers will be much more careful in future, for the reason that carelessness in this regard will cause a direct loss to the company.

The War Department replaces any property which is shown to it to have been worn out in the service of the organized militia, but when such information is missing the State is charged with the cost of the material furnished. In this way, the State, some of these days, may have to pay a large sum to the department because of lack of proper care in listing, watching and keeping track of the supplies.

Instructions to company quartermaster-sergeants in looking after property may later be given by the quartermaster-sergeant, who is employed by the State Department, and who has had much experience with the regular army.

DONATION FROM MR. RYAN

Millionaire Virginian Gives \$2,000 to Appomattox High School.

It was learned by the Department of Public Instruction yesterday that Thomas F. Ryan, of New York, had donated \$2,000 to the building fund of the Appomattox High School. This comes from the personal efforts of Colonel Joseph Burton, State Commissioner of Education.

As a result of a determined effort for an adequate and well equipped school building, a modern high school has been built at Appomattox at a cost of \$20,000. Of this sum the school board contributed \$3,250, while the remainder of \$16,750 was to be raised by a citizens' association. Mr. Ryan's donation will be a great help to those who assumed this obligation.

The building committee of the school is composed of J. R. Atwood, R. F. Burke, J. D. Hensley, H. D. Flood, Joseph Burton, Sr., L. E. Ferguson, L. E. Smith, J. C. Jones, J. K. Hannah, R. W. Taylor and H. C. Babcock.

FIGHT ON HOOKWORM

Dr. Carnal Appointed Inspector—Public Meeting at Brookneal.

As a part of the organization for the campaign for eradication of hookworm from Virginia, Dr. R. C. Carnal, of Baltimore, has been appointed hookworm inspector for the district composed of the counties of Prince George, Norfolk, Nansemond and Isle of Wight. The appointment was made by the State Health Commissioner.

This branch of the public health work is especially under the direction of Assistant Commissioner Allan W. Freeman. Dr. Carnal is much pleased with the results so far accomplished. A few days ago a public meeting was held at Brookneal, which was attended by 200 people. The greatest interest in the fight against hookworm was developed, and it was decided to have another meeting later for the formation of a permanent committee.

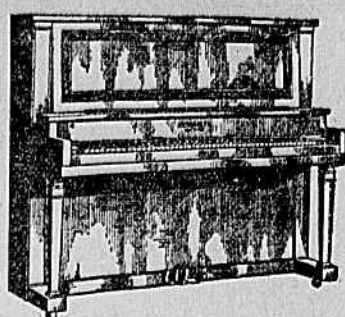
The appointment of Dr. Carnal is the second of the campaign, the first being that of Dr. A. C. Fisher, for the Northern Neck district, composed of the counties of Lancaster, Northumberland, Westmoreland, Richmond and King George.

Farmers' Train Running.

The Southern Railway's agricultural train from Alexandria to Danville began its trip of a week yesterday morning. The train is headed by the agricultural expert, George W. Koiner, is aboard, with skilled speakers from this and other States and representatives of the land and industrial department of the Southern Railway.

Special attention is being paid to soil improvement, potatoes as a money crop, improved methods of growing tobacco, increase of corn yield without additional cost and profits in apple growing.

The stops yesterday were at Burke, Fairfax and Manassas. Those of today will be at Nokesville, Remington and Culpeper. All meetings are being



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Mr. Davis Assumes Office.

Jackson Davis, for several years a member of the State Board of School Examiners, yesterday vacated that position to take up his new work as supervisor of rural elementary schools. Mr. Davis's address will be in the future be Richmond, for he will make his headquarters here. His successor is Oscar L. Shewmaker, of Surry, whose office will be in Petersburg.

Paymaster Commissioned.

Following an appointment made and announced several weeks ago, Captain

Charles H. Consolvo, of Norfolk, was yesterday commissioned as paymaster-general of the Virginia militia, with the rank of lieutenant-colonel.

Governor Away.

Governor Mann spent yesterday at Petersburg on business. The Governor will deliver an address Thursday of this week at the closing exercises of the Varina High School, in Henrico county.

Will Attend Trial.

Secretary Wilson, of the State Corporation Commission, will go to Charlotte today to testify in the trial of T. C. Thornton.

PLAY POKER WHILE THEY SIT UP TO SEE THAT COMET

Even Women Yawn Over Bridge Table, for Their Sight Will Be Dim When Halley's Ghost of the Skies Comes Again.

With thousands of pairs of eyes focused upon it, Halley's comet, that far-famed ghost of the skies which grandfathers of the present generation saw three-quarters of a century ago, will come into view shortly before 4 o'clock this morning, and will be seen by those who have eyes to see until the rays of the morning sun dim its brilliance.

Matinee bridge and poker parties will be given in its honor, for who could sit up until 4 o'clock in the morning without a comforting glass of grape or the excitement of the bones on the table and the swift shuffle of the cards as the dealer hands out a royal straight to some lucky friend? At that time Halley's wanderer will be approaching its closest proximity to earth at near 2,000 miles a minute, and one must have some means to cheer in that dark hour before the dawn, when the world may tremble from centre to circumference and shooting stars shower down upon a frightened people.

So, in all parts of the city, card parties have been arranged to while away the tedious hours until the comet shall dawn and swish its tail in the eastern skies. Then will the dealer forget to shuffle and the bonehead drop his four. An ace high will fall beneath the table, and the sound of tinkling glasses will no more be heard. Bonehead will rush to the window and whisper, "The comet's here," and the shark will swear he held a royal straight, and take in the \$100 pot. Miss Smith, who won a manure set at the last game, will lay down her hand in bridge, and slight the star from her bower window. While the young gallant who has been watching from across the street will turn down his lamp, take a last sip and turn his eyes from his lady's bower to the mysteries which shine above him.

Everybody wants to see the comet on its closest appearance, and it is a far cry from the usual bed hour of the man of dignity to 4 A. M., and what better than a new deck, shining chips and a deacon on the sideboard for those whose thirst of body equals

their thirst for knowledge? And what of the women? Will it be a time to talk of suffragism, to quarrel and debate over equal rights of male and female, to harp on the latest style in chancery hats, to speak murmuringly of their husbands' faults, to gossip on their latest enemy or to chat on the fundamentals of new thought?

No. It must be a time for which bridge whist—silence, the steady shuffling and the tension of mind, so that they may be in proper frame to watch the wonder they have never seen before, and may never see again. And in that early hour the rouge will be darkened, and the pallid paste of each woman will be no more avail. Each woman will be to the other as she really is, and the unknown will be known, and the false truces will be shown away. For Halley's comet is a strange and wonderful thing; secrets of the earth and the universe may be unfolded, and over the card table, in the dim-lighted room, woman may bare her bosom of all—herself.

And so that eyes may not watch in weariness, and during the night, the excitement that lies between the card and dice must be brought into play in the great national indoor game or in bridge. There must be some relaxation from the foreboding which comes over all, and only in a quiet game, with an occasional reminder of the grape and berry, can one forget the tension until all is passed.

DIOCESAN COUNCIL MEETS TO-NIGHT

Episcopalians to Discuss Church Work at Holy Trinity.

The Episcopal Council of the Diocese of Virginia meets at Holy Trinity Church on Laurel Street, opposite Monroe Park, to-night at 8:15 o'clock, and will continue in session through Friday. The Rt. Rev. Robert A. Gibson, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, will preside, and one of the interesting features of this session will be an address on Thursday by Rt. Rev. Arthur S. Lloyd, D. D., Bishop-Coadjutor, who was until recently secretary of the General Church Missionary Society, with offices in New York City. The opening meeting to-night will be in the interests of the work of the Sunday school, and will be open to the public. The opening devotional exercises will be conducted by the rector of the church, Rev. John J. Gravatt, D. D. Speakers will be Rev. Thomas Semmes, Rev. W. M. Clark, D. D., Rev. R. A. Goodwin, and Rt. Rev. A. S. Lloyd, D. D. There will be a special service to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock in St. John's Episcopal Church, at Twenty-fifth and Broad Streets, when speakers will be Rev. E. L. Goodwin and Rev. R. A. Goodwin. The council meets for organization

and business to-morrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in Holy Trinity Church, where all of the business sessions will be held. The service to-morrow night will be especially interesting to the general public, as at that time the council sits as a board of missions, and reports will be made by the executive committee and the report of the work among the colored people will be read. Statements of work and needs in the field will be made by several active missionaries.

At the Church of the Holy Comforter, Grove Avenue and Rowland Street, the Holy Eucharist will be celebrated each morning at 7:30, to which all delegates and visitors are cordially invited.

WANTS \$500,000 FOR STREET WORK

Alderman Nelson, of Fulton, will introduce at the next meeting of the Board of Aldermen a resolution looking to the issue by the city as soon as the assessment of the current year becomes available as a basis of taxation, of a bond issue of \$500,000 for improvement of streets in the outlying districts. Mr. Nelson has already received assurances of support from a number of members of the Council and proposes to limit the expenditure entirely to grading, graveling, curbing, guttering and sidewalk paving. The city, he argues, can borrow this money on a thirty-four year issue of bonds for 4 per cent., while the immediate increase in taxable values consequent on the street improvements will, he believes, more than carry the interest and sinking fund, besides providing a great convenience in living for a large number of people, especially of moderate means.

It is not proposed that any part of the bond issue shall be for smooth paving, or to replace any of the improvements or to improve conditions in already highly improved sections, but to grade and open streets already mapped out in the outlying sections, to put in miles of curbs and gutters, to gravel miles of streets, and where necessary to provide at least a decent walkway, until the conditions of the property justify the paving of the sidewalks.

Not for Southside. The patron of the measure thinks that it should not apply to the recently annexed Washington Ward, where a definite agreement has been made in the terms of the annexation ordinance as to the amount to be expended each year for five years in street improvement. He would not limit it, however, to the territory annexed in 1904, but make it a special fund to be apportioned by wards, but proposes that the City Engineer shall prepare a comprehensive plan for opening and improving certain thoroughfares out to the present city limits, with the consequent cross streets and the intersecting alleys, all as provided for in the maps and surveys of the annexed territory, which have already been adopted as the established grades. Mr. Nelson says that the preference should be given in every case where property owners will donate to the city the land for opening the streets and alleys, and where the city is released from payment of damages by reason of the grading, as otherwise the whole sum might be expended without the consequent benefits to the community at large.

The City Engineer is known to highly approve the plan, and says that there are miles of streets which should be opened to building as soon as possible, and that both in those cases and in the case of existing streets, it will prove far cheaper to the city to make the cuts and fills necessary for the established grades before houses are built. In recent years the city has had to pay large sums, as for instance in Fairmount, and recently on Floyd Avenue, by reason of damage to abutting property by changing the grades, the changes being made in order to secure proper drainage. Efforts will be made to push the bond issue through in time for active work to begin in the early fall.

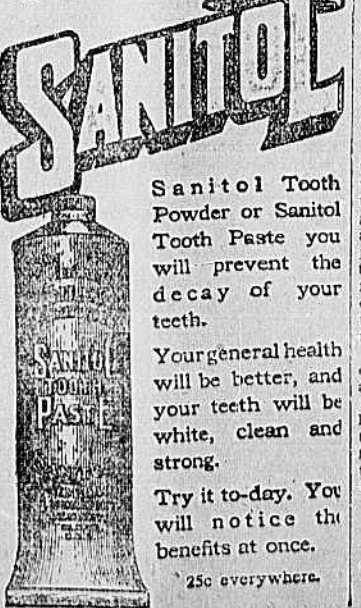
COMMITTEE ON POOR FROZEN OUT BY OTHERS

Owing to the number of Council Committees meeting at the City Hall last night, it proved impossible to secure a quorum of the Committee on Relief of the Poor, scheduled to meet at the City Home, and after waiting some time the members agreed to adjourn until May 24.

Before the adjournment of quarterly contracts for supplying the almshouse, matters of special interest and the election of a member of the medical staff of the City Home Hospital, to succeed Dr. C. M. Miller, elected a member of the City Council, and the report of a subcommittee, to which was referred the bill of E. W. Byrd & Co., were taken up because of the alleged participation in that firm of Councilman C. E. Richards.

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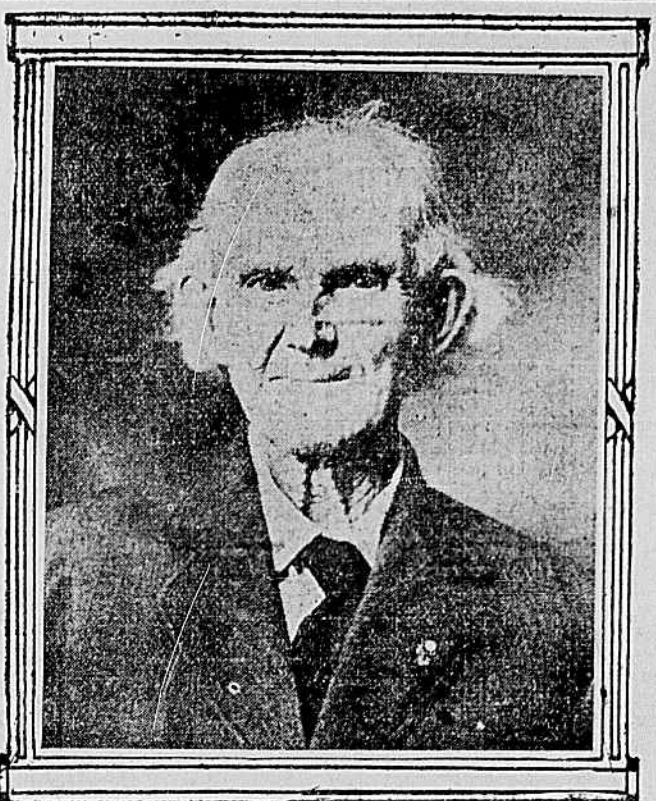
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DANIEL O'CONNELL.

Undoubtedly the most remarkable sight ever witnessed in the lodge rooms of any fraternal society was that recently enjoyed in the Elks' Temple, in Owasco, Mich., a Daniel O'Connell, 105 years of age, played the principal part on that occasion and was made a member of Lodge No. 753, B. P. O. Elks. This oldest, and, at the moment of the initiation, the youngest member as well, was born in Ireland December 21, 1804, and was 105 years four months and six days old at the time of his being made an Elk.

The spare, gray haired and active little man is, despite his age, made of the timber from which good Elks are born. He listened with grave dignity and his responses to the ritualistic work were given in a firm, clear

voice. He was given an impromptu reception after the work and was presented a life membership in the lodge. He will attend the Grand Lodge reunion in Detroit next July and announced that he would take part in the parade. That he could do it is proved by the fact that at least once each week he walks from his farm to Owasco and back, a tramp of ten miles. It is doubtful, however, if Detroit Lodge will permit the oldest Elk in the world to walk. They have plans under way to bestow befitting honors upon Mr. O'Connell.

At the reception to be given Great Exalted Ruler Sammis during the reunion, Mr. O'Connell is to stand at the head of the receiving line and share honors with the highest officer of Elksdom.

WILL BUY C. C. & L. AT AUCTION TO-DAY

Plans Perfected for Chesapeake and Ohio Outlet to Chicago.

All the details for the absorption of the Chicago, Cincinnati and Louisville Railroad by the Chesapeake and Ohio have been worked out by the Chesapeake and Ohio officials, and nothing now remains to be done but to comply with the formalities attending the sale.

This will take place in Richmond, Ind., to-day. Master in Chancery Butler will sell the road, and a representative of the Hawley interests will be present to make a bid. No trouble is expected in the bidding, as it is said that there will be no opposition. George W. Stevens, president of the Chesapeake and Ohio, has been in Cincinnati since last Saturday looking after the details of the merger, and gave out an official announcement of the proposed changes last night.

He said that the general offices of the Chicago, Cincinnati and Louisville would be removed from Chicago, where they have been located since the organization of the road, to Cincinnati, and would be consolidated with the present Chesapeake and Ohio offices there. He also announced that a search for a suitable office building in Cincinnati had already been begun, and that one would be secured within the next few weeks.

By the purchase of the Chicago, Cincinnati and Louisville, the Chesapeake and Ohio has found what it has been looking for for many months—an outlet to Chicago. The change will give the Chesapeake and Ohio a direct line from the coal deposits of West Virginia to Chicago and will open up a new field for that class of freight.

Y. M. C. A. OPENING

Special Program Arranged for Entertainment in New Home. The formal opening exercises of the

new building of the Central Men's Christian Association begins to-day. The building will be open 10 A. M. to 10 P. M., especially Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, except during the program hours, those who wish to see its equipment and arrangement. The following program will be followed in the opening exercises:

Tuesday—11 A. M., opening, orchestra. Address, Rev. W. W. Moore, D. D. Unveiling of oil painting of the late Joseph Bryan. 4 P. M., opening of boys' department rooms, orchestra. Address, John Stewart Bryan. 8 P. M., the Blues' Band. Address, Hon. A. J. Montague. Informal reception.

Thursday, 11 A. M.—Woman's Day, orchestra. Reception, 11 to 1 o'clock. 4 P. M., exhibition by Boys and Junior Gymnasium Classes for boys and girls. 8:30 P. M., a big night of games, gymnastics and athletics.

Saturday—10 A. M., Boys' Bible Study Club reunion. 12:30 P. M., the swimming pool in action. 8:30 P. M., open house to the young men of the city.

Sunday—8 A. M., consecration service. 2:30 P. M., big meeting for boys. 3:30 P. M., mass meeting for men.

Celebrates 80th Birthday



DR. BLAIR BURWELL.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Tobaccoville, Va., May 14.—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pickett Burwell, of Indian Camp, Powhatan county, entertained in honor of their father's (Dr. Blair Burwell's) eightieth birthday on May 7. The house was beautifully decorated with all kinds of roses. The dining room was especially attractive, with a profusion of roses and ferns. In the center of the table was a large bowl of Jacquemont, Kaiserin and Testout roses.

Dr. Burwell received numerous congratulations from his relatives and friends in the form of letters, telegrams and presents. Dr. Burwell had intended having a large company of friends from Richmond, but owing to an accident while driving some three weeks ago, from which he had not fully regained his strength, he decided to have only a few friends. The occasion was a happy one. Some of those present were Dr. Blair Burwell, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pickett Burwell, Miss Jennie Conrad, of Richmond, Mr. and Mrs. Milton McClaurin, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Whitlock and Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Blanton.

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